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Proposed Rate Increases for Garbage and Clean Green Service

Proposed rate increases for the Garbage, Clean Green and Clean-Up Campaign programs will be presented at the April 17, 2007 Council meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall and considered for adoption at 7:00 p.m. on June 5th at a public hearing at the same location. The approved rates would become effective on utility billings as early as July 1, 2007.

Proposed new garbage rates

Service Type/Level	Current Rate per Month	Proposed Monthly Increase	Proposed Monthly Rates July 2007
Single-Family Residential*			
1 can (32 gal.) or small cart	\$15.45	+ \$0.80	\$16.25
2 cans (two 32 gal.) or medium cart	\$23.54	+ \$1.10	\$24.64
3 cans (three 32 gal.) or large cart	\$31.63	+ \$1.40	\$33.03
Additional cans	\$8.09 per can	+ \$0.30	\$8.39 per can
One can (20 gal. size) Super Saver cart	\$10.40	+ \$0.80	\$11.20
Clean-Up Campaign charge for residence (unless excepted)	\$3.80	No change	\$3.80
Household Hazardous Waste	\$0.25	No change	\$0.25
All other rates	-	+ 3.6%	-

*Rate includes \$7.05/month for Clean Green (\$0.50 increase) and \$0.50/month for recycling (no change) collection.

A proposed 3.6% increase in all other garbage collection and disposal rates is necessary to cover projected increased cost of collection and disposal including:

- Cost-of-living adjustments in contracts with the private companies that provide garbage services
- Increased State, County, and City of San Jose disposal taxes and fees; and
- Increased administrative costs.

Charges for the Annual Clean-Up Campaign and the Household Hazardous Waste Program will remain at their current rate with no increases.

Property owners not able to attend the April 17th or June 5th public hearings may still convey their opinions in writing or email at street@ci.santa-clara.ca.us prior to these meetings. Protests must include your name and address.

Proposition 218, passed in 1996, stipulates that if a majority of the record owners of property submit written protests to the proposed increases, the City Council cannot impose the increases. For more information about the proposed increases, call the City's Street Department at 408-615-2051.